TABLE I.—1841.

No. of District.	Name of District.	Houses. Inhabited.	Uninhabited.	Building.
1	Kensington	10,962	485	656
2	Chelsea	6,098	178	109
3	St. George, Hanover-square	7,680	370	148
4	Westminster	6,650	208	83
5	St. Martin-in-the-Fields	2,630	70	4
6	St. James, Westminster	3,580	110	6
7	Marylebone	14,180	565	180
8	Hampstead	1,411	73	6
9	Pancras	14,788	670	313
10	Islington	9,838	290	314
11	Hackney	7,192	316	198
12	St. Giles	4,960	198	20
13	Strand	4,337	137	6
14	Holborn	4,605	300	16
15	Clerkenwell	6,946	200	70
16	St. Luke	6,205	243	84
17	East London	4,798	236	7
18	West London	3,010	237	12
19	London City	7,221	273	82
20	Shoreditch	12,648	456	199
21	Bethnal-green	11,702	398	180
22	Whitechapel	8,934	496	44
23	St. George-in-the-East	5,898	243	24
24	Stepney	14,364	557	120
25	Poplar	3,098	141	121
26	St. Saviour, Southwark	6,650	162	20
27	St. Olave, Southwark	2,525	91	25
28	Bermondsey	5,674	263	33
29	St. George, Southwark	6,953	357	38
30	Newington	9,370	267	92
31	Lambeth	17,791	546	351
32	Wandsworth	6,150	271	89
33	Camberwell	6,943	279	119
34	Rotherhithe	3,450	112	16
35	Greenwich	11,903	497	146
36	Lewisham	3,966	180	44
	All London	262,737	11,324	4,033

TABLE II.—1851.

No. of District.	Name of District.	Houses. Inhabited.	Uninhabited.	Building.
1	Kensington	17,292	1,111	740
2	Chelsea	7,689	261	110
3	St. George, Hanover-square	8,795	652	163
4	Westminster	6,647	276	55
5	St. Martin-in-the-Field	2,323	146	11
6	St. James, Westminster	3,461	269	6
7	Marylebone	15,915	656	58
8	Hampstead	1,719	77	28
9	Pancras	19,731	630	309
10	Islington	13,350	653	530
11	Hackney	9,981	505	193
12	St. Giles	4,772	331	21
13	Strand	3,838	253	6
14	Holborn	4,517	193	15
15	Clerkenwell	7,259	286	19
16	St. Luke	6,421	246	20
17	East London	4,745	272	4
18	West London	2,745	140	4
19	London City	7,329	1,127	17
20	Shoreditch	13,433	692	151
21	Bethnal-green	13,370	567	124
22	Whitechapel	8,932	321	21
23	St. George-in-the-East	6,151	170	23
24	Stepney	16,346	963	222
25	Poplar	6,992	330	122
26	St. Saviour, Southwark	6,813	243	12
27	St. Olave, Southwark	2,365	78	1
28	Bermondsey	7,085	390	81
29	St. George, Southwark	7,086	427	109
30	Newington	10,809	574	273
31	Lambeth	20,530	1,084	214
32	Wandsworth	9,291	569	257
33	Camberwell	9,417	917	237
34	Rotherhithe	2,934	198	67
35	Greenwich	14,423	1,075	340
36	Lewisham	5,506	432	265
	All London	307,722	16,999	4,817

It appears from the above tables, that the number of inhabited houses in London, in 1841, was 262,737, and in 1851 that they had increased to 307,722; or at the rate of nearly 17 per cent (16·7). The number uninhabited in 1841 was 11,324, and in 1851—16,999, being an increase of 5,565, or 49 per cent.; while the number building at the same period was 4,032 and 4,817 respectively, being an increase of 785, or 19½ per cent.

The facts shown in these tables are very remarkable illustrations of the rapid growth of some districts, and the decrease, or almost stationary, condition of others. Take, for instance, the first in the tables, viz. Kensington:—we have 10,962 inhabited houses in 1841, and 17,292 in 1851, showing an increase of 6,330, or about 60 per cent. (at the same time bearing in mind that the rate of increase of all London is under 17 per cent.); while the number uninhabited in 1841 amounted to 485, and in 1851 to 1,111, being an increase of 626, or upwards of 128 per cent.!—the number building, 656 in 1841, and 740 in 1851. If we add the inhabited to the uninhabited the results will show that the total number of buildings in Kensington in 1841 was 11,447 and 18,403 in 1851, or an increase of 6,966. Again, in the *City* of London the inhabited houses in 1841 numbered 7,221, and in 1851 only 7,329, being a *decrease* of 592!—the number uninhabited in 1841 was 573, and in 1851, 1,127, or an *increase* of 554, or nearly double. If, however, we add these two results together they will show in 1841, 8,494, and in 1851, 8,454, or the actual *decrease* of houses in the *City* of London to be 40; while, at the same time, the number building was 82 and 17 respectively.

But, perhaps, the most striking circumstance disclosed by these tables is the enormous increase which has taken place in Islington during the last ten years. The number of inhabited houses in this district in 1841 was 8,508, and in 1851 they numbered 13,558, being an increase of 7,050 inhabited houses, or 83 per cent. in the ten years (9·917 years, the period between the two censuses not being ten complete years). The number uninhabited in 1841 was 293, and in 1851, 653, or more than double; while 314 were building in 1841, and 539 in 1851.

With a view to further illustration, I have prepared the following table (Table III.), showing the actual increase in the number of the various classes of houses, in each district, during the period from 1841 to 1851. It will be seen that where the sign minus (—) has been placed before the figures it is intended to express the number decreased in the ten years:—

TABLE III.

No. of District.	Name of District.	Actual Increase of Houses from 1841 to 1851. Inhabited.	Uninhabited.	Building.
1	Kensington	6,330	626	84
2	Chelsea	1,591	83	16
3	St. George, Hanover-square	1,165	113	—33
4	Westminster	208	68	3
5	St. Martin-in-the-Fields	—116	76	7
6	St. James, Westminster	—130	161	1
7	Marylebone	1,735	87	—167
8	Hampstead	308	5	22
9	Pancras	4,943	247	—45
10	Islington	7,050	360	225
11	Hackney	2,789	187	5
12	St. Giles	—181	145	—8
13	Strand	—299	—284	—4
14	Holborn	—88	—197	—1
15	Clerkenwell	313	86	—50
16	St. Luke	216	3	—4
17	East London	—11	—34	1
18	West London	—265	—157	—8
19	London City	—892	554	—65
20	Shoreditch	2,791	236	—48
21	Bethnal-green	1,668	—9	—56
22	Whitechapel	—2	—174	—23
23	St. George-in-the-East	196	—68	—1
24	Stepney	1,982	306	94
25	Poplar	1,816	155	1
26	St. Saviour, Southwark	—48	61	—17
27	St. Olave, Southwark	—160	—16	—24
28	Bermondsey	1,421	127	48
29	St. George, Southwark	343	70	29
30	Newington	1,039	318	181
31	Lambeth	2,739	550	—137
32	Wandsworth	1,931	327	168
33	Camberwell	2,574	638	118
34	Rotherhithe	614	86	51
35	Greenwich	2,439	578	154
36	Lewisham	1,970	252	181
	All London	44,985	5,665	785

London is divided into 36 Registration Districts. The number of inhabited houses of 11 of these has decreased since 1841, and the remaining 25 increased. The following is a list of those decreasing, arranged in the order of their intensity:—

London, City	by	592	Inhabited Houses.
Strand	"	299	
West London	"	265	
St. Giles	"	181	
St. Olave, Southwark	"	160	
St. James, Westminster	"	130	
St. Martin-in-the-Fields	"	116	
Holborn	"	88	
St. Saviour, Southwark	"	48	
East London	"	11	
Whitechapel	"	2	

It will be observed that these districts are all in what may be called the "Heart of London."

In drawing conclusions, however, from these results, it is necessary that due regard should be had to the number of uninhabited houses. Now, although the number of inhabited houses in St. James's, Westminster, has *decreased* 130, yet we find, by referring to the "uninhabited" column of the preceding table (col. 4), that this class of houses has *increased* 181; which shows the actual number of houses in this district to have *increased* by 51. It is also necessary to ascertain the average number of persons to each inhabited house, as well as the extent of the district. In order to supply this, the following table has been constructed, showing the average number of persons to each inhabited house, the area in acres of each district, together with the average elevation of feet above high-water mark:—

TABLE IV.

No. of District.	Name of District.	No. of persons to an inhabited house in 1851.	Area in Acres.*	Elevation of feet above high-water mark.*
1	Kensington	6·9	7,393	44
2	Chelsea	7·4	480	13
3	St. George, Hanover-eq.	8·3	1,181	34
4	Westminster	9·9	863	3
5	St. Martin-in-the-Fields	10·6	206	35
6	St. James, Westminster	10·6	179	43
7	Marylebone	9·9	1,500	100
8	Hampstead	7·0	2,045	320
9	Pancras	8·8	2,560	80
10	Islington	7·0	3,078	98
11	Hackney	6·9	3,910	55
12	St. Giles	11·1	248	68
13	Strand	11·4	167	50
14	Holborn	10·2	148	53
15	Clerkenwell	9·4	330	63
16	St. Luke	9·4	260	68
17	East London	9·3	143	48
18	West London	10·5	133	38
19	London, City	7·6	380	38
20	Shoreditch	7·1	646	64
21	Bethnal Green	6·8	760	36
22	Whitechapel	9·0	320	28
23	St. George-in-the-East	7·9	264	15
24	Stepney	6·8	1,160	16
25	Poplar	6·9	2,450	10
26	St. Saviour, Southwark	7·0	209	2
27	St. Olave, Southwark	6·2	138	3
28	Bermondsey	6·6	814	0
29	St. George, Southwark	7·4	270	0
30	Newington	6·2	630	—2
31	Lambeth	6·6	3,680	3
32	Wandsworth	6·1	10,683	21
33	Camberwell	6·6	4,488	4
34	Rotherhithe	6·2	770	0
35	Greenwich	6·9	4,570	6
36	Lewisham	6·9	16,078	28
	All London	7·6	73,715	39

For those unacquainted with decimals, it would be better to leave out all consideration of the decimal point, in column 3 of the preceding table; and the figures will then show the number of persons to *ten* inhabited houses.

I cannot conclude the present paper without giving one more table, showing the average annual value of houses, and the poor-rate in the pound of house rent; hence with these the poverty of the district, and the annual number of deaths to 10,000 inhabitants, which exhibits the degree of healthfulness.

TABLE V.

No. of District.	Name of District.	Average Annual Value of Houses. †	Poor-Rate in the Pound of House Rent ‡	Annual Number of Deaths to 10,000 Inhabitants. §
		£	s. d.	
1	Kensington	63	0 8	211
2	Chelsea	39	1 4	247
3	St. George, Hanover-eq.	110	0 4	186
4	Westminster	36	0 9	280
5	St. Martin-in-the-fields	119	0 9	240
6	St. James, Westminster	128	0 8	212
7	Marylebone	71	0 10	227
8	Hampstead	60	—	220
9	Pancras	41	0 10	222
10	Islington	36	0 7	220
11	Hackney	38	1 6	197
12	St. Giles	60	1 1	260
13	Strand	68	0 11	243
14	Holborn	52	0 8	208
15	Clerkenwell	33	1 3	242
16	St. Luke	28	1 7	276
17	East London	38	1 9	259
18	West London	66	1 4	282
19	London City	117	1 2	214
20	Shoreditch	20	1 8	251
21	Bethnal Green	8	1 9	230
22	Whitechapel	26	1 6	200
23	St. George-in-the-East	23	1 7	260
24	Stepney	20	1 4	243
25	Poplar	46	1 3	241
26	St. Saviour, Southwark	36	1 6	253
27	St. Olave, Southwark	26	1 7	251
28	Bermondsey	18	1 8	264
29	St. George, Southwark	23	1 9	267
30	Newington	23	1 6	233
31	Lambeth	28	1 5	233
32	Wandsworth	20	1 5	198
33	Camberwell	25	0 9	197
34	Rotherhithe	25	1 10	277
35	Greenwich	28	1 7	255
36	Lewisham	27	1 0	173
	All London	40	1 1	233

* Estimated for the Registrar-General by Capt. Dawson, R.E., of the Tithe Commission.

† From the return of real property assessed to the property and income tax for the year ending 5th April, 1849.

‡ From the weekly report of the Registrar-General, No. 6, 1850.

§ From Appendix to Ninth Annual Report of the Registrar-General.

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